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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH, 1851.

THOMAS ROMNEY ROBINSON, D. D., PRESIDENT,  
in the Chair.

THE Secretary exhibited an ancient brass seal of Thomas, Bishop of Elphin, obtained in England, through the kindness of Albert Way, Esq., in exchange for the ivory seal of "St. John's Hospital, outside the Barrier, Litchfield," found some time since in the county of Wexford, and originally presented to the Museum of the Academy by the Rev. Nicholas Codd, of Carrick, County Wexford, who gave permission, at the time of its presentation, to exchange it for an Irish seal, should one be found in England.

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The following antiquities were presented to the Museum of the Academy :

Four Roman coins ; presented by J. B. Godfrey, M. D., of London.

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Dr. Petrie observed, that hitherto sufficient attention had not been paid to the ancient coins found in this country, simply because they were not Irish. This was much to be regretted, for such coins ought to possess the greatest interest for the Irish antiquarian. Upon his own chimney-piece there was a coin of the Byzantine empire, found at Rathfarnham ; how it came there he could not explain ; but the fact was, that Roman coins had been so constantly found in that locality, that whenever he saw any of them in a shop-window and inquired where they were found, he was almost invariably told that they were found in the neighbourhood of Rathfarnham. He wished that when Roman or other ancient coins were found in this country it would not be supposed that Irish antiquarians took no interest in them ; the very contrary was the case.

The Earl of Enniskillen said he was not aware whether Roman coins had been often found in this country ; but he might mention that a friend of his own, Captain Graves, had shown him a considerable number of them which were discovered at the Giant's Causeway, in the County of Antrim.

Dr. Petrie had seen several hundred Roman coins in the possession of a gentleman who had resided in that county ; and he had also seen many Carthaginian coins which had been found in Ireland.

The President—That is a remarkable fact, and one which ought to be placed on record.

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A silver signet seal of the fourteenth century, with an Agnus Dei in cornelian, and the legend "Ecce Agnus Dei;" presented by Catterson Smith, Esq.

A silver bell, found in the County of Roscommon ; presented by R. K. Gardiner, Esq.

Two vessels made of pewter, and supposed to be a ciborium and a chrysmatorium, found in a lake, near the river Brosna, King's County ; presented by Sir William Betham.

A large stone celt, a peculiarly fine specimen, found in Monmunny bog, parish of Ahavea, County Fermanagh ; presented by Rev. G. S. Smith, D. D.

An iron collar and chain, a bronze pin, an iron spear, and a human skull, all found near Strokestown, County Roscommon, were presented by Dennis H. Kelly, Esq., on the part of Richard Kelly, Esq.

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The President addressed the Academy, on presenting the Cunningham Medal to the Rev. John H. Jellett, as follows :

GENTLEMEN,—Before we proceed to our ordinary business, it is my duty to present the Cunningham Medal to the gentleman to whom the Academy has awarded this, its highest gift of honour. Probably